Name of Bank	Number of Offices	Number of licences/ authorisations pending
Syndicate Bank	10	11
Union Bank of India	54	2
United Bank of India	78	13
United Commercial Bank	177	15
Vijaya Bank	7	..
Total—Nationalised Banks . .	1397	227

The b inks lnvo bien allowed time upto 30-9-1985 for opening branches against pending licences/ authorisations. Ihe questior of operlng more bank branches in Bihar during the Gun ent Filancial Year will be ccnsidered by Reserve Bank of India in the light of the Branch Licensing Policy for the S^v;nth Five Year Pian Period which is being finalised.

Seizure of g°ld and hashish

2414. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of seizures of gold and hashish effected by ihe Customs authorities so far during the current 5'ear at Delhi, Bombay and other places;

(b) what is the value of the it*ms seized; and

(c) what action has been taken against the persons apprehended?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRl JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) and (b) The value of major items of smuggled goods seized during the year 1985 (upto June), at Bombay, Delhi and all other places, is given below:—

Collectorate	Gold	Wrist Watches	Synthetic Fabrics & Yarn	Dangerous drugs including hashish	(Value : Rs. in crores) Currency	Others	Total
Bombay . .	16·64	1·56	5·68	1·79	1·61	9·30	36·58
Delhi . .	2·43	0·09	0·17	3·03	0·31	0·92	6·95
All other places	9·38	2·13	3·59	1·34	1·53	24·16	42·13

(Figures are provisional)

(c) Stringent action is taken against persons apprehended for smuggling offences both departmentally as well as through prosecution in courts. In appropriate cases, preventive detention under the COFEPOSA Act is also resorted to.

Production of standard cloth

2415. SHRI KALPNATH RAI: Will the Minister of SUPPLY AND TEXTILES be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have issued any instruction to the textile mills to the

effect that a certain proportion of their products should be standard clolh for the benefit of the common man; and

(b) if so, whether the instruction is being followed by the textile mills?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SUPPLY AND TEXTILES (SHRl CHANDRA SHEKHAR SINGH): (a) No. Sir. Under the controlled cloth scheme, controlled cloth being produced entirely by the National Textile Corporation Mills.

(b) Does not arise.

Margin money provisions for Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes

2416. SHRI (MOLANA) ASRARUL HAQ: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whelher it is a fact that the margin money requirements prescribed by tne State Bank of India are the same for Scheduled Castes|Scheduled Tribes entrepreneurs as that of general category entrepreneurs;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is no bar on the State Bank of India to amend the rules to reduce the margin money provisions for Scheduled Castes| Scheduled Tribes; and

(c) if so, what steps are contemplated te amend the rules to help SC|ST entrepreneurs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRl JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (c) As per Reserve Bank of India directive, margin on advances to priority sectors is based on the quantum of advances made available to the borrowers and not related to the category of borrowers. As per these guidelines, no margin is imposed on advances upto Rs. 25,000|- for small scale units and small business units, for all categories of borrowers. In agricultural sector loans upto Rs. 5000|- fre given without insisting for margin. AU barks, including State Bank of India, have to follow the guidelines issued by R.B.I, on matters relating to Credit Policy including margin money requirements.

Investigations against M/s. Burroughs Welcome for irregular import

2417. SHRIMATI MAIMOONA SULTAN: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Starred Question 328 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 14th August, 1984 and state:

(a) whether the investigation regarding over-invoicing of imports and loss of foreign exchange to the country thereby has since been completed against M/s. Burroughs Wellcome;

(b) if so, what is the outcome thereof and what action has been taken against the firm;

(c) whether it is a fact that certain instances have come to the notice of his Ministry during the last three years regarding import of D-2 Aminobutanol under the guise of DL-2 Amni.obutinol ?nd some costly drugs under the namt of Cephalexin;

(d) if so, what are the details in regard to the name of party, drug, quantity etc.;

(e) whether it is a fact that certain drug companies are importing drugs and drug intermediates under the name of other drugs on which there is either concessional custom duty or exempted custom duty; and

(f) if so, what steps have been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): (a) to (f) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House to the extent possible.